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NIGHT OF AUGUST 23 AND AUGUST 24 ANTI COMMUNIST DEMONSTRATION WAS HELD IN HORTA, FAIAL, WHICH RESULTED IN DESTRUCTION OF FURNITURE AND MATERIALS OF PCP AND EXPULSION FROM AZORES OF THREE PCP MEMBERS. THE DEMONSTRATION HAD BEEN PLANNED FOR AUGUST 24, BUT AUGUST 23 LISBON SENT ORDERS THAT TWO POLICEMEN FROM HORTA SHOULD BE SENT TO PONTA DELGADA FOR DISCIPLINARY ACTION. THE POLICEMEN REPORTEDLY HAD BEEN DISTRIBUTING FLA LITERATURE. WORD SPREAD QUICKLY OF THE ORDER AND WITHIN HOURS 2,000 PEOPLE (POPULATION OF ISLAND OF FAIAL IS 17,000) GATHERED, INVADED POLICE HEADQUARTERS TO PROTEST DEPARTURE OF ACCUSED POLICEMEN, SACKED PCP HEADQUARTERS AND DEMANDED EXPULSION FROM AZORES OF SOME PCP MEMBERS. THE POLICEMEN ARE STAYING

IN FAIAL AND THREE COMMUNISTS ACCOMPANIED BY TWO WIVES LEFT MORNING AUGUST 25 ON GENERAL MAGALHAES ORDERS.
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